TENTE DISTRICT.

Galveston. Buzoria. and Matagorda countries: Galveston the returning county.—Asa E----- Stratton, of Brazoria, Texas, was born in Panola county. Mississippi. January 13, 1844; came to Texas in 1859, with his father, Major A. E. Stratton, on a visit and was left at school in Soul University, Washington county, in September of the same year. His father and family removed to Texas in January. 1860, settling at Hills Prairie, Bastrop county: removed from thence to Brazoria county, in 1361, where the subject of this sketch has since resided, except for two years at Matagorda. The war coming on, he did not graduate, but joined the Confederate army, serving in Col. Jos. Bates' regiment in Texas and Louisiana; was subsequently orderly sergeant of company G and sergeant-major of Brown's regiment. Read law in Matagorda, and was licensed to practice in 1869; has been county surveyor, county attorney and county judge of Brazoria county, and was elected to the Senate November 7, 1882, as an Independent over Hon. M. S. Munson, of Brazoria county. Democratic nominee, receiving 4047 votes against 3693 for Mr. Munson. Term expires No. vember, 1886.